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In re Application of

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Application No. 09/557,252

Filed: April 24, 2000

Title: SYSTEM AND METHODS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR PREVENTION, DETECTION, AND REVERSAL OF IDENTITY

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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 7, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned on March 20, 2003 for failure to timely file a proper response to the final Office action, mailed December 19, 2002. A Notice of Appeal was timely filed on February 24, 2003; however, this filing did not prevent abandonment because the accompanying check for the required appeal fee was returned by petitioner's bank. Thus, the reply was insufficient.

By decisions mailed October 12, 2004 and November 2, 2004 respectively, the initial petition and the renewed petition under § 1.137(a) were dismissed.

On instant renewed petition, petitioner submitted the required reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination (and submission and fee); paid the required petition fee under § 1.17(m); and made the required statement of unintentional delay.

In view thereof, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The request for continued examination (and submission) will be considered by the examiner in due course.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.

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